SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY, 1939

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1939, AMOUNT-ING TO \$1,600,000

FEBRUARY 17, 1939.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed

> THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, February 16, 1939.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the Civil Aeronautics Authority for the fiscal year 1939, amounting to \$1,600,000.

The details of the estimate, the necessity therefor, and the reason for its submission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET, Washington, February 16, 1939.

The PRESIDENT. The White House.

Sir: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a supplemental estimate of appropriation for the Civil Aeronautics Authority, amounting to \$1,600,000, for the fiscal year 1939, as follows:

CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY

Civil Aeronautics Authority Fund, 1939: For carrying out the provisions of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, in addition to the amount provided for that purpose by Section 203 (b) of said Act, \$1,600,000 (52 Stat., 973–987).

The Civil Aeronautics Authority was created by the Act of June 23, 1938, which Act provided for the transfer to the Authority of duties and functions formerly performed by the Bureau of Air Commerce of the Department of Commerce, the Bureau of Air Mail of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the Post Office Department. In addition the act imposed such added responsibilities as expanded economic regulation, including the negotiation of reciprocal agreements, increased activities in the field of planning and development, and the certification of mechanics employed in the construction, maintenance, and repair of airplanes. Under the terms of Executive Order No. 7959, dated August 22, 1938, there was transferred to the Authority \$3,386,255 for salaries and expenses. This transfer was made under the authority contained in section 203 (b) of the act of June 23, 1938.

The appropriations made to the Bureau of Air Commerce, Department of Commerce, and the Bureau of Air Mail, Interstate Commerce Commission, for the fiscal year 1939 did not provide for the expanded activities referred to above. Therefore, an additional amount of \$1,600,000 is necessary in order to enable the Authority to perform

the duties imposed upon it by the act of June 23, 1938.

The foregoing supplemental estimate of appropriation is required to meet a contingency which has arisen since the transmittal of the Budget for the fiscal year 1939, and its approval is recommended.

Very respectfully,

F. J. Bailey,

Executive Assistant
(For and in the absence of the Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget.)

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